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DIARY

Executive Officer, DD/I

Tuesday, 16 December 1952

25X1A9a 1. Discussed Professional Selection Panel matters at some length with [REDACTED] Special Assistant to DD/A. I feel rather strongly that the Panel's consideration of suitability for career must be careful to avoid the Old Army concept that all individuals must be fully qualified for all types of duty. We must recognize that a research analyst will probably confine his career to the research field and would probably never be called upon to brandish a sabre and lead a charge. Thus in our deliberations, we must always be realistic in assessing the type of career in which the individual will specialize. [REDACTED] was not entirely in accord with this. I know that [REDACTED] is inclined toward the opposite view, namely, Old Army concept.

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2. Lunched with [REDACTED] and discussed with him the operational cables that are crossing his desk. I offered to be his point of contact in the DD/I complex so that he and I could bring in substantive competence on these matters where desirable.

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25X1A9a 3. [REDACTED] FE, called regarding [REDACTED] which was produced by the special committee in the Philippines and sent over our communication channels to be transmitted to Allison in State. Joe tells me that FE will ADCI prepare a memorandum and pass it to Allison, thus taking care of the action. He will pass to me a copy of this memorandum and requests that I send it to O/CI for their information (even though they may not use the material for dissemination) and to request their reactions to the facts presented.

25X1A9a 4. [REDACTED] informs me that an indices check on [REDACTED] who is being appointed to a post in Treasury, has indicated no adverse information. I had asked [REDACTED] to prepare a staff study for [REDACTED]

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5. The DD/A has ruled that Saturday, 27 December, will be a normal Saturday. However, DD/I has ruled that for his Offices, a Sunday schedule may suffice. I have checked with each of the ADs. O/CD will maintain a skeleton force. O/CI will publish and maintain a force. OO will maintain a skeleton force. O/IC, O/RR, O/NE and O/SI will inform the Watch Officer which of the key people can be reached by telephone on a standby basis and will pass this information to this Office.

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6. O/RR Official Diary of 11 December mentions that [REDACTED] (D/GC).

25X1A5a1 has been dealing with [REDACTED] the USSR. It had come to AD/I's attention that [REDACTED] had indicated some dissatisfaction. Checked this with [REDACTED] who reports that [REDACTED] had, in fact, been dissatisfied with information posted to an earlier map but was delighted with the map delivered to him today as another project. [REDACTED] feels that any earlier dissatisfaction is now overshadowed by his pleasure.

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7. [REDACTED] called to say that [REDACTED] is being difficult regarding the travel of [REDACTED] for the job 25X1A9a of interrogating [REDACTED]. Joe suggested that as this is primarily a DD/I problem, I take over. I called [REDACTED] I found him 25X1A9a most pleasant and he claims to have no problem at the moment. He will note that this matter has been coordinated with Nordbeck of State and he feels now that the travel request will move smoothly to completion.

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8. [REDACTED] called and in the course of our conversation on other matters, she stated that she had been in touch with [REDACTED] of I&S and 25X1A9a indicated that she has considerable confidence in him. On the other hand, she explained a great deal of dissatisfaction with the Medical Office and said "they had handled this thing very badly."

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